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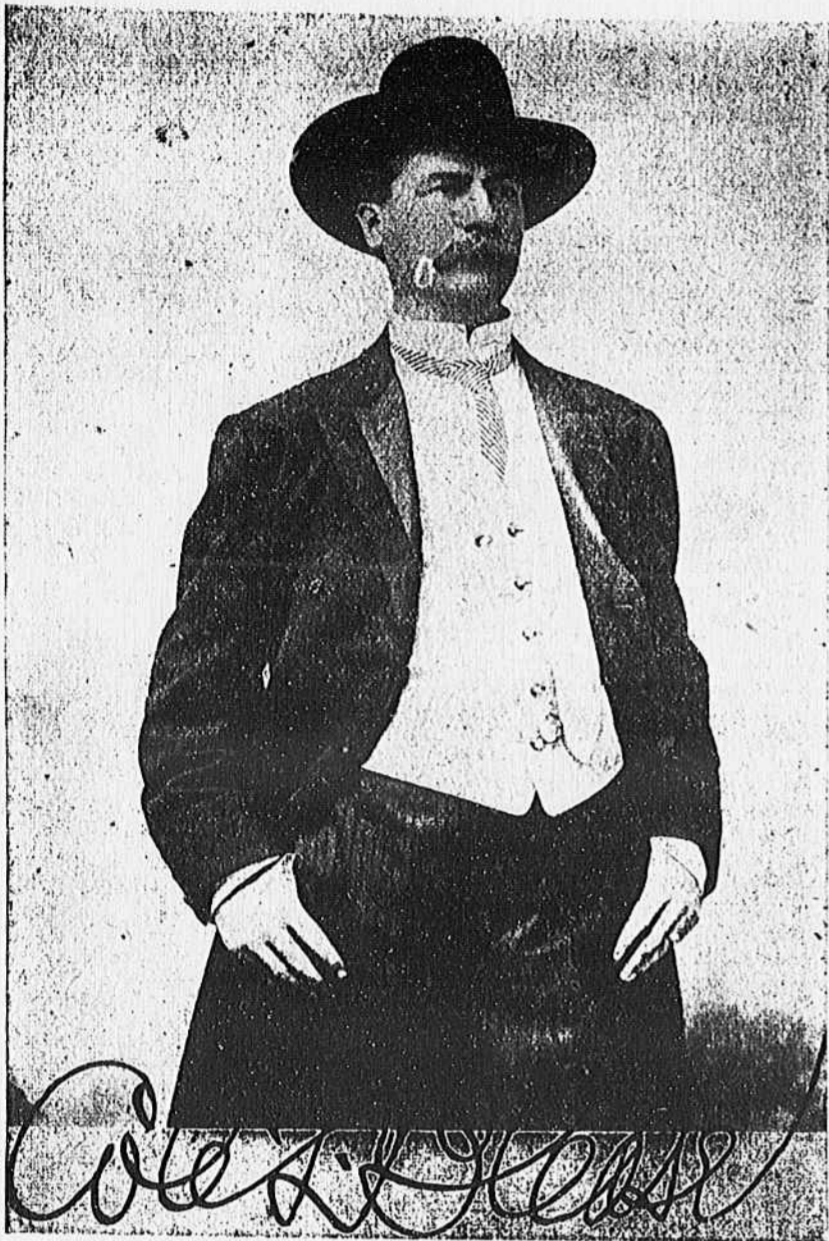
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Hon. Cole L. Blease



Will deliver a political address at
Pickens
Monday, August 21,
All Candidates for Congress are in-
vited to be present. Speaking will
begin at 11 o'clock.
Music by the Easley Brass Band.

From Matthew Hendricks

Recently I have been studying the road question and from past experience I know it is a hard problem. I served two years as county commissioner when only four days' work had to be done by each hand of road age. Then we were relocating all our roads to get them on a better grade. In some places the labor was so scarce we had to cut the timber out; in others, the most leading roads, we could dig up the timber. But that was the beginning of better roads without means. Then I came in as supervisor with three commissioners in each township. During that time the work was three days or \$1.50. With such means no one could expect any improvements on roads more than the relocation to have better grades. At that time our assessment was two million, and dollars were hard to raise. The county was in debt for claims past due to the amount of about \$10,000, with \$35,000 outstanding railroad bonds due in three years. A claim on the county was worth about 60 cents on the dollar. First of all, the business I had and did arrange was to pay off all claims against the county and arranged to pay cash for all work done, which was done for about half the price paid before. This was a saving in all bridge work. During these years I had built seven of our largest river bridges on rock piers. One of them was washed off the piers and one of them had to be moved on account of water washing through the bottom. All others are good yet. Since that time nearly all our business has been run on a cash basis and nearly all our large bridges are covered. With these improvements our bridge accounts are lowered, but our road expenses are heavy and the great question is how to change it. We are doing no permanent work—only such as I have mentioned—and I can hear on all sides complaint about what work is done and how it is done, or rather not done. We are spending lots of money. I believe it would be best for us to change our system and spend some more. All people know that a county so weak financially need not

talk about macadamizing roads, but I remember one hill of about 150 yards of the worst roads we had was fixed by the present supervisor in about six hours with a rock crusher, six hands and two teams. That has been about three years ago and it is good now with all these rains. I believe it would be economy to put a set of hands out with a crusher and have them run it all the year at different places over the county where there is hard rock. When the scrapers are not running keep the teams hauling rock to the crusher until the worst places are made good, and from year to year we will improve until there will be nothing like we have now. And to better conditions and to meet some of this expense I would favor doing away with the county commissioners. Let a supervisor run the business. As it is we have a scrape for two townships and two hands to run it, a boss to boss it and a commissioner to boss him, and a cook for all—about \$1,000 for all three men, and what the cook does is the biggest job of work of all. Then, too often is the case when a road is worked, the bad places are left and some one is paid to do what the scrapers hands walked over unnoticed. These things ought not to be. It will be cheaper to have hands enough with the scrape to do all such work, repair and build all small bridges and widen the roads and convey off the water. When I took charge of the business the county owed the amount mentioned and \$10,000 for the court house. I paid all this off but the railroad debt, and had a levy annually as a sinking fund to retire that debt in one year after it fell due. The assessment of the county is more than twice what it was then and our tax several mills higher. We ought to improve faster.

MATTHEW HENDRICKS.

We are requested to announce that W. E. Findley will lead the prayer meeting service at the Methodist church Thursday evening at 8.30. The pastor, Rev. L. E. Wiggins, is away in a protracted meeting at Ninety-Six.

B. P. Kelly and son, Willie, of Central were business visitors at the county seat last Tuesday.

Local and Personal

Mrs. Tom Starke of Elberton is visiting Mrs. C. B. Hagood.

Mrs. J. W. Sheriff of Orangeburg is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. C. Smith, in Pickens.

The Daughters of Confederacy will meet at Mrs. Melvin Holder's Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The Pickens Hardware & Grocery Co. have an interesting advertisement in this issue of The Sentinel.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy McFall and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Partridge spent Sunday with the family of W. G. Hall in Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hill, and children, Miss Louise, Tom, Jr., and James, of Greer, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thornley.

Jesse Morris and Arthur Reese spent several days last week at Lake Toxaway. They made the trip across Gauley on foot, but came back by rail.

Homer Edens left Thursday for Norfolk, Va., where he joined his brother, James, and they will together visit the larger cities of the North.

Mrs. F. L. Clement and two sons and daughter, Sarah Bess, and Miss Harriet Noyce of Atlanta are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Hendricks.

Messrs. Smith Griffin and Ernest Freeman and family of Greenville passed through Pickens Monday en route to Browns hotel. They were joined here by Mrs. W. B. Freeman.

Homer Sutherland, manager of the United Cigar company's store in Charlotte, has returned to his duties there after spending his vacation with home-folks in Pickens county.

R. L. Hames returned to Pickens Monday afternoon after spending his vacation in Habersham county, Georgia. There are various rumors afloat as to why Bob went to Habersham.

Miss Bessie Robertson, who has been spending several weeks in Charlotte, N. C., has returned to Pickens. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Corinne, who will spend sometime here.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Pickens Association will meet with the Pickens Baptist church August 29-30, beginning at 10 o'clock. Everybody is invited to be present.

The members of the class of 1915 of the Pickens high school enjoyed a picnic last Wednesday evening at the power plant. The class consisted of Misses Frances Bruce, Clovie Gilstrap, Sadie Nealey, Gertrude Aiken, Mildred Cox, Johnnie Attaway, Sara Attaway, and Messrs. Colie Seaborn, Homer Edens, Ralph Gilstrap, Oliver Boggs and Harry Robinson.

Newsy Letter From Cedar Rock

Mr. and Mrs. Remus Henderson of Anderson motored to Mrs. Henderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McD. Farmer's Sunday.

Mr. Velmon Fendley visited relatives in Dacusville Sunday.

Mr. McD. Farmer purchased a Ford car last week. Watch Cedar Rock come to the front!

Prof. and Mrs. Myers motored to West Union last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hunnicutt.

After spending several weeks very pleasantly at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Turner, Miss Thurston Myers has returned to her home at St. Stephens.

Miss Vivian Hendrix is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Lawrence Latham of Greenville.

Mrs. Z. T. Jones and Miss Lucia Jones were the guests of Mrs. H. R. Jones last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart were the week-end guests of Mrs. B. F. Robinson in Greenville.

Mrs. T. S. Turner and Mrs. Evan Myers visited at G. H. Hendrix's last week.

Messrs. Loyd Jones and Ned Williams are at Clemson attending the summer agricultural course.

Mr. L. F. Smith and children attended the singing at Peters Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones and family were the guests of Mr. Thos. Hughes of Greenville Sunday.

We are requested to announce that all persons interested in cleaning off the graveyard at Cross Roads are requested to meet Tuesday morning, August 15, 1916.

Mr. Robert Alexander, aged 24, died from tuberculosis at the home of his father-in-law, T. J. Mullinax, at the Easley mill village on the 30th ult. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Anthony Simmons, of Easley. His wife preceded him to the grave. The funeral services were conducted from the residence by Revs. J. D. Holler and D. O. Powers and the body was laid to rest in the mill cemetery on the 31st ultimo.—Easley Progress.

The young people of this section enjoyed a delightful lawn party at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hester, near Pickens, last Friday evening, which was given by their charming daughters, Misses Perla, Lois and Susie, in honor of their house guests, Miss Smith of Greenville and Miss Birchfield of Atlanta. Quite a number of young people enjoyed this delightful occasion. Delicious punch was served during the evening.

John Joe McFall of Pickens and John W. Weeks of Aiken have been awarded the Peabody scholarships of the University of South Carolina for the session of 1916-17. These are valuable scholarships and are given every year to two young men graduates of some recognized college who have shown qualities of scholarship. It is quite an honor to receive one and Mr. McFall's many friends here are pleased to know that one has been so worthily bestowed upon him.

Prof. J. C. Rogers, dean of Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., is in Pickens county this week in company with other representatives in the interest of the college. Prof. Rogers says that he has been traveling through many states in the south and middle west during the past six years and that he has found the country schools of this state above the average. He spoke very highly of the appearance of the rural schools of Pickens county. He is enthusiastic over the future of Piedmont College. Read their advertisement in this issue of The Sentinel.

The election for cotton weigher at Pickens will be held Saturday, August 19, and the polls will be open from 10 o'clock a. m. to 5 p. m. Each voter who wants to vote in this election must get a certificate from the clerk of the city council. Certificates may be secured from the clerk at his office at the Pickens Oil Mill between ten and six o'clock any day from August 9 up to and including August 16. No one can secure a certificate after August 16 and no one can vote who hasn't got a certificate. The candidates announced for this office are Frank G. Allgood, N. D. Parsons and Fred N. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Robinson and Mrs. Elvira Robinson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Williams and son and daughter and Miss Lillian Hendrix attended church at Mt. Carmel Sunday.

Messrs. Charles and Paul Hester and Misses Susie and Lois Hester were the attractive guests of Miss Williams recently.

Messrs. Oscar and Walter Turner and Elmer Hendrix were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hendrix Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hendrix visited in Greenville Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Walter Turner spent Sunday afternoon in Easley.

Luther Pickens, candidate for the House, and Fred O'Dell visited in this vicinity last week.

Misses Ethel and Nora McQueen of Easley were the week-end guests of Miss Lillie Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. Snow Masters and children attended the Gilstrap reunion held at the Hardy Gilstrap place last Saturday.

Miss Daisy Phillips is visiting in the Mt. Carmel section this week.

Profs. George Burrage and Dean Rogers and Mr. Scott, a student of the Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., called on their old student, Ada H. Miller, while canvassing Pickens county for students Monday.

Clarence L. Craig



**Candidate For
County Superintendent of Education
This Is What He Stands For:**

First: I believe in a Summer Teachers' Institute with a faculty and course of study approved by the State Superintendent of Education, from which State certificates may be issued.

Second: In the employment of our own teachers to the exclusion of others where this is possible.

Third: The just apportionment of all school funds among the different districts.

Fourth: In a just, impartial treatment of all teachers and schools.

Fifth: In publicity of apportionment, that all districts may see what is being done for others.

Will Appreciate Your Support

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Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Crenshaw, of Greenville, are spending some days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ernest Reid, of Dublin, Texas, who are here for some time, spent a part of last week with the latter's sister, Mrs. S. B. Edens.

Miss Elizabeth Mauldin spent the week-end with Miss Ione Hendrix.

Dr. L. F. Crenshaw, Messrs. M. Hendrix, A. L. Edens and A. C. Sutherland were business visitors in Pickens Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Edens, Jr., spent Sunday with the latter's parents near Liberty.

The graded summer school began its summer term of work last Monday morning. In the absence of the principal, Prof. Morse of Chicora, Miss Jennie Griffin has charge of the higher grades. Misses Cora Porter of Pickens and Frances Mauldin of Easley are the assistants. A successful year's work is hoped for.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Looper, Mr. and Mrs. Beattie Williams, of Dacusville, were here Sunday.

Protracted meeting is in progress here this week. The services are conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Seaborn.

Pumpkintown "Deadhead" Stuff

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Elrod of Greenville are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White, at their home here.

The little Misses Bernice, Bessie Lee and Wilma Hendricks received a pleasant surprise Sunday afternoon, when a motor car bearing their aunt, Miss Lila Harris, and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Jennings, stopped at their gate for a brief visit. All too soon, however, the car was buzzing again as it bore the parties away to their home in Greenville.

A mad dog is reported to have been killed by Vestal Barker in the Pleasant Grove section Saturday night. Several dogs were bitten, we are told.

The pumpkins of Pumpkintown will be "not much punkin" this year.

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An Interesting Service

Rev. L. E. Wiggins delivered the first of his illustrated lectures at the Methodist church Sunday night to a large and attentive congregation. The subject of the lecture was "The Women of the Orient." Stereopticon views were used to illustrate the lecture. This subject is following the line of study of the mission study class taken from the book, "The King's Highway." The lecture Sunday night pictured the lives of the women of Algeria, Egypt, India, Burma, Ceylon, China, Korea and Japan. The lecture was not only interesting and entertaining but was impressive and by means of the pictures great truths are brought home. The pictures show the work of Christian missionaries and education and the great good they are accomplishing and the great work that is yet to be done.

While this is a departure from the regular Sunday evening services, it is hoped that it will prove popular and much good will be accomplished.

The pictures Sunday night were unusually clear and distinct and the machine is a good one.

The next of the series of lectures will be given soon.

County Campaign Meetings

Central, Thursday, August 10.
Liberty, Saturday, August 12, 2 p. m.
Pumpkintown, Tuesday, August 15.
Pickens, Thursday, August 17.
Easley, Saturday, August 19, 2 p. m.
Candidates for solicitor in this district will also speak at the same time and places, except at Easley, where they have already spoken.

Invites the Candidates

We are requested to state that the candidates for Pickens county offices have been invited to address the voters at Flat Rock next Friday, August 11.

We are requested to state that the county candidates are invited to address the voters of Mile Creek on the 16th.

Miss Mattie Johnson of Anderson is visiting Miss Ruth Parsons.